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The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted for inclusion before initial examination of the above referenced application.

In the Specification

1. Please replace paragraph [0020] with the following paragraph:

[0020] As is well-known, fiber Bragg gratings (FBG) are used to compensate for chromatic dispersion. Moreover, fiber Bragg gratings may be tuned by changing the resonant wavelength of the FBG. Typically, this alteration of the resonant wavelength of

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